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## A Quick Look

### More than 900 to receive degrees

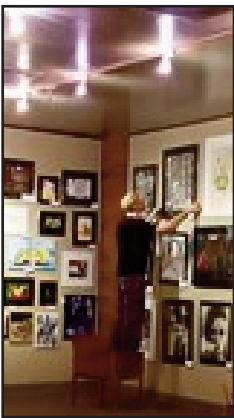
#### Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College has scheduled two commencement ceremonies, May 14, at the Davis Event Center at the Fulton Campus.

The Associate of Arts degree ceremony will be at 11 a.m., and the Associate of Applied Science ceremony, at 3 p.m.

A list of graduates who had submitted applications by the deadline is on page four of this issue.

More detailed information will be included in the April 11 issue of the *Chieftain*.



**ICC students place** - Five ICC students place in the state student art competition hosted by ICC. *See page eight.*

### Evening of Celebration, Apr. 19

#### Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College's top scholars will be recognized during "An Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence Across the Curriculum," at 6:30 p.m., Apr. 19.

The event will be in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus.

Top departmental and division awards will be presented to students who have excelled academically during 2015-16.

A reception in the Gallery will follow the celebration. - *Michaela Cooper, Editor*



**ICC President Mike Eaton presents the Most Beautiful 2016 crown to Alicia Tubb.**

## ALICIA TUBB Most Beautiful 2016

#### KATIE BANES Staff

At the beginning of ICC's 2016 Most Beautiful pageant on Mar. 7, 59 contestants were seeking the title. Then there were 10, but at its conclusion, Alicia Tubb wore the crown.

In addition, four beauties were selected including Taylor Kennedy, Taylor Barefoot, Hannah Anderson and Alexis Smith.

The winners of pageant competitions were Samantha Turba,

most ad sales and Miss Congeniality; Taylor Barefoot, most photogenic; Erin Clark, most social; and Noa Harding, crowd favorite.

Additional contestants who were selected to the top 10 included Kaitlynn Yates, Lakyn Todd, Lacey Brekeen, Ashton Ellis and Saydee Moss.

ICC's Candice Pitts performed during the pageant, for which the theme was "The Great Gatsby."

*See more pictures...page four.*



**The top five includes, from left, Taylor Barefoot, Hannah Anderson, Most Beautiful Alicia Tubb, Alexis Smith and Taylor Kennedy.**

## Cooper, Hester chosen as Silver Scholars

#### Staff Reports

Sophomores Michaela Cooper of Mantachie and Kate Hester of Pontotoc have been named 2016 Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Silver Scholars. The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation sponsors the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team program by recognizing 50 Gold, 50 Silver and 50 Bronze Scholars and providing nearly \$200,000 in scholarships annually. Each Silver Scholar receives a \$1,250 scholarship and a special medallion.



**Michaela Cooper**

Cooper is a member of the Indian Delegation, Jazz Band and Wind Band and editor of the *Chieftain* at ICC. Her honors include vice president of Leadership for Phi Theta Kappa, All-Mississippi Academic



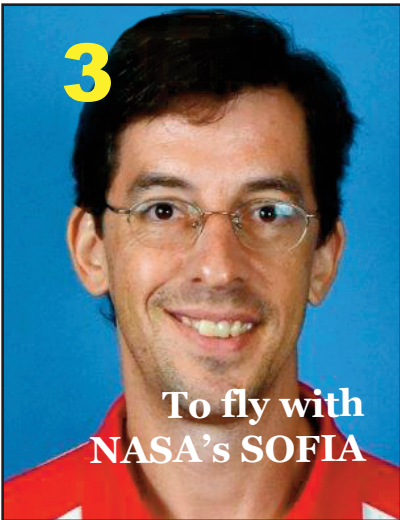
**Kate Hester**

Team second team, PTK Distinguished Chapter Officer; journalism award, Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior and Community Colleges. Cooper's additional activities include Mantachie Food Pantry and Harrisburg Zamar Student Choir. She

is majoring in nutrition and dietetics for physical therapy. Her parents are Steve and Lisa Cooper.

At ICC Hester is a member of the women's soccer team, All-American Marching Band and Wind Band as well as Phi Theta Kappa president and Baptist Student Union Bible Study coordinator. Her honors include All-Mississippi Academic Team first team and Order of the Golden Key. She also serves as youth intern at First Baptist Church of Amory. Her parents are Ken and Temple Hester.

PTK administers the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team program and recognizes Coca-Cola Community College scholars during All-State Community College Academic Team Recognition ceremonies held in 38 states. Both Cooper and Hester will also be recognized during "An Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence Across the Curriculum," Apr. 19, at the Fulton Campus and at Phi Theta Kappa's annual international convention, Apr. 7-9, in National Harbor, Md.



**To fly with NASA's SOFIA**



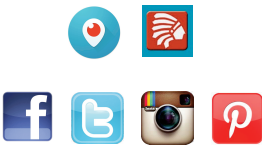
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IEWPOINT

MICHAELA COOPER

Editor

## Learning a valuable lesson

As I have mentioned in previous articles, I am an Indian Delegate. I give a tour just about every week, and with the changing weeks mean changes in the attitudes of the visitors. There are those who are “gung-ho” and ready to start their college career now, and there are those who are simply taking the tour because their momma forced them. One quality most of the people in the latter category possess is that they are investigating college because that is what they have been told they are supposed to do. I know, where’s the bad in this? At least they are showing interest in college, right?

Every once in a while; however, I have the opportunity to give a tour that is exceptional. There are just some people you meet whom you never forget. My recent tour was just that. It you first saw this guy, he truly didn’t have any features that were memorable: average height, average weight, brown eyes, brown hair. It wasn’t his first impression that made him so memorable. Instead, it was the lesson that **he** taught me, and he didn’t even realize he had taught me anything. I know that he left that day thinking that I had given him all of the information I could about life at ICC, but I left with a little more insight into how this game called “Life” should be played.

For privacy reasons, I'll call him John Doe. He arrived with his mother, and the tour began like any other. I started with the usual questions, “How old are you,” “Where are you from,” “What’s your major,” etc. He said he was 21 and a high school dropout, but he had just completed his GED and wanted to pursue secondary education. This kind of struck me as odd, because if you didn’t like high school when you were there, why would you make it your career? I only thought this to myself, since it may come across as rude or a crass thing to say to some. So we continued with our tour. We had discussed everything, about his musicianship and athleticism in high school, his exceptional academics before he decided to drop out. It was not until the end that he answered the question I had been waiting to ask since the beginning.

John told me that he, like many others, had begun enjoying the party life a little too often and decided he would just work in a factory and not worry about anything else. He’d make enough to support his partying and live with mom as long as he could. What flipped his world, though, was the birth of his niece. The father was not in the picture for this newborn, and he knew he had to be the role model. He said that the day after she was born, he poured all of his alcohol down the drain and drove to register for GED classes. John completed the program with top marks and decided to become a secondary English teacher, because he wanted to help those taking the same roads he had traveled.

He possessed a drive that was more than just that this is what he was supposed to do; instead, he was paving this new road in his life because he wanted to.

So my question to all of you is this:What is your drive and passion? I think sometimes we get so caught up in all of life and the hoops we have to jump through to achieve our degrees that sometimes we forget why we started in the first place. A meme on Facebook not long ago said, “Every morning when my alarm goes off, I question if my degree is really worth it.” It’s hard some mornings to go to an 8 o’clock class after only three hours of sleep. But I know what drives me, just like John. In the end our degrees are going to be worth every hour of sleep and social event we missed. So the lesson I learned was find what is your life drive, and don’t let your past stand in the way of the person you are about to become.

## College CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### March

Websites and Apps for Fun and Education, LRC, 5 p.m.

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Easter Holiday

LRC Video Resources, LRC, 2 p.m.

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Last day to drop eLearning classes with a ‘W’

LRC Video Resources, LRC, 5 p.m.

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### April

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Indian Week begins  
Fulton and Tupelo

Evening of Celebration: Honoring Academic Excellence Across the Curriculum, FAA, 6:30 p.m.

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#### RECRUITER VISITS..

March 21

UNA, SSB, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

March 28

Ole Miss-Tupelo, SSB, 10:30 a.m.

April 5

Southern Miss, SSB, 10 a.m.

April 12

Ole Miss-Tupelo, SSB, 10:30 a.m.

JUST A REMINDER...

Students should file FAFSA for 2016-17 by Apr. 15.

See page eight for music and concerts

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STAFF REPORTS



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## Graduation important for ALL students

With mid-terms and spring break behind us now, it’s almost time for graduation at ICC.

Maybe you’re a sophomore who is finished with school for a variety of reasons after earning an associate’s degree or is transferring to a university.

No matter what your plans, earning the two-year degree is important for all students.

Flashing back to high school, graduation day was one full of joy, pride and maybe even fear of the unknown.

Students should have the same feelings when they graduate from Itawamba Community College, where the **best** start.

This day will be the one on which the rest of your life begins, whether that means continuing work toward a bachelor’s degree or beyond or entering the workforce and starting your real “adult life.”

You should be just as proud to obtain your degree from a community college as it symbolizes your hard work and competence in college work.

Some may opt not to participate in the commencement ceremony, and that is okay, but remember how significant it is to walk across that big stage in the Davis Event Center with many students with whom you’ve made lifelong friendships.

Earning the two-year degree can also be a safety net, if you will. Plans change and life happens, Sometimes circumstances could prevent the attainment of a degree immediately or at least until later in life. We never plan for those situations, but an associate’s degree will be documentation of two years of college work.

Whether you earn an Associate of Arts or Associate of Applied Sciences degree is irrelevant. It’s the degree that counts.

Those who graduated in December were the first to take advantage of the policy change by the Itawamba Community College Board of Trustees, which reduced the number of hours from 63 to 60 to earn both degrees.

Candidates for the ICC degrees must have a 2.0 grade point average on those hours applied toward graduation, and students must earn at least 25 percent of the requirements within a prescribed curriculum at ICC to be eligible for either degree.

When you are considering whether or not to apply for graduation, remember how sacred it is to capture the moment that wraps the memories from two years of hard work and to shake President Mike Eaton’s hand as you receive your well-earned diploma.

You won’t regret it.

Chieftain staff members needed for the 2016 fall semester... email [dsthomas@iccms.edu](mailto:dsthomas@iccms.edu)



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# ICC’s Swanson picked for NASA program

Staff Reports

Bob Swanson of Tupelo, astronomy instructor at ICC, has been selected to participate in one of NASA’s 11 educator teams for its 2016 Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors program.



Bob Swanson

The program is a professional development opportunity for educators designed to improve teaching methods and to inspire students. As part of the preparation, the Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors complete a graduate credit astron-

omy course and are partnered with professional astronomers to participate as the scientists conduct research on board NASA’s flying telescope, the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA).

“I’m really thrilled to be selected to fly on SOFIA,” Swanson said. “It’s a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to become part of cutting-edge astronomy research and bring that knowledge back to my classroom,” Swanson said. “The content of what I teach in my astronomy classroom is the product of centuries of astronomy research. The research that I will be a part of through my involvement with SOFIA



ICC’s Bob Swanson will conduct research aboard the Stratospheric Observatory for Infrared Astronomy (SOFIA) pictured here. - Photo by NASA/Tony Landis

will eventually find its way into the next generation of textbooks.”

According to NASA, SOFIA is a highly-modified Boeing 747SP jetliner fitted with a 2.5 meter (100-inch) telescope that uses a suite of

seven instruments to study celestial objects at infrared wavelengths during 10-hour overnight science missions. SOFIA flies at altitudes between 39,000 and 45,000 feet (12-14 kilometers) above more than 99 percent of

the water vapor in the Earth’s atmosphere that blocks infrared energy from reaching ground-based observatories.

Swanson joins Connie Gusmus of Guntown Middle School on one of the 11 teams. He said that to his knowledge, they are the first educators from Mississippi to fly on SOFIA in the AAA program. The ambassadors are expected to fly this fall and winter.

“NASA’s SOFIA observatory provides a fantastic opportunity for educators to witness scientific observations being conducted first-hand so they can better understand and appreciate the research process,” said

Hashima Hasan, SOFIA program scientist at NASA headquarters in Washington in a news release from NASA.

“Science is more than just memorizing a list of established facts,” Swanson said. “It is an ongoing process of inquiry and discovery. What SOFIA researchers discover during the missions may confirm what they already suspect or it may completely overturn some of their hypotheses. I hope that my involvement with the SOFIA Airborne Astronomy Ambassadors program will highlight for my students how exciting and revolutionary the process of science can be.”

# ICC receives \$3.5 million FEMA grant

Staff Reports

U.S. Senators Thad Cochran (R-Miss.) and Roger Wicker (R-Miss.), along with Representative Trent Kelly (R-Miss.) have announced a \$3.5 million grant to construct a safe room at Itawamba Community College in Fulton.

The Mississippi lawmakers reported Mar. 4 that the Federal Emergency Management Agency is providing \$3.5 million in hazard mitigation grant funding to build a multi-purpose hazardous weather safe room on the Fulton Campus.

“Tornadoes and severe weather caused indiscriminate devastation in Mississippi. This safe room project will help Itawamba Community College and Fulton residents be better prepared for hazardous conditions,” Cochran said. “I appreciate FEMA’s support for this project.”

“A weather safe room will help shield students and locals from unpredictable weather and its potential for devastating loss,” Wicker said. “I am pleased that FEMA is working with ICC and Fulton through this grant to construct this life-saving facility.”

“As our region continues to experience extreme weather events, it is essential that investments are made to keep Mississippians safe. When disaster strikes, the Itawamba Community College safe room will be an invaluable resource in the Fulton community,” Kelly said.

The 13,585-square-foot facility will have the capacity to protect 2,319 students, faculty and staff from wind speeds up to 250 mph. The total cost of the project is \$5.77 million, with FEMA covering 61 percent of the loss.

The FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant program provides funding to states and local governments for long-term hazard mitigation activities designed to reduce the loss of life and property due to natural disasters. Data shows that investments in hazard mitigation before a disaster creates a net savings of taxpayer dollars during post-disaster response and recovery periods.

# Betsy White named William Winter Scholar

Staff Reports

Betsy White of Tupelo, English instructor at the ICC Tupelo Campus, has been selected as Itawamba Community College’s William Winter Scholar for 2016.

She was among statewide recipients honored during opening and closing ceremonies at the 27th Annual Natchez Literary and Cinema Celebration, Feb. 25-27.

White earned both the bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Mississippi. Her accomplishments include Phi Theta Kappa advisor for the Tupelo Campus, Two-Year Community College Association of Mississippi, Mississippi Association of Develop-

mental Education, National Council of Teachers of English, ICC Faculty Association, Mayor’s Task Force on Education, Wesley Foundation Board member, Helping Hands Food Pantry and past president of the Tupelo Junior Auxiliary. She is also a Phi Theta Kappa Leadership Development Studies Certified Instructor.

The theme of the conference, which was sponsored by Copiah-Lincoln Community College, Mississippi Humanities Council and the Mississippi Department of Archives and History with support from the Natchez National Historical Park, was “Natchez at 300: A River Runs by It.”



Betsy White

# Take precautions in the event of severe weather

Staff Reports

Severe weather can happen any time in Mississippi, but it’s typically most likely during the spring months.

All members of ICC’s family should be prepared and know the safe places at all three locations - Fulton, Tupelo and Belden. They are listed in the Emergency Procedures manuals for all locations which are posted on ICC’s website, www.iccms.edu, under Campus Security and Safety.

Notifications of threatening weather are sent through ICC ALERT, the College’s mass notification system, to all who have signed up for the information.

Campus Police Chief Ricky Brasel said that everyone should remain calm and not panic. “Get to your designated safety area as quickly and safely as possible. Stay away from windows, doors and outside walls. Protect your head. Do not leave unless absolutely necessary and don’t use telephones unless an emergency.”

Campus Police will give the ALL CLEAR after the threat of severe weather is over.

Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to sign up for ICC ALERT.



1. Click on myTribe at the top of ICC’s website, www.iccms.edu.
2. Log in using your username and password.
3. Click on the ICC ALERT-system under links in the bottom right corner. Enter the same username and password.
4. Provide the contact information on the dashboard.

## TEACHER SPOTLIGHT



## Joseph Williams Business Division Chair

**Family:** Wife, Phyllis; Daughter, Vicki

**Education:** Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Business Administration degrees, University of Mississippi

**Teaching Experience:** 3 years of accounting in private industry; 38 years in economics, accounting and statistics

**Teaches:** accounting I and II, busi-

**Positives of Teaching:** “Observing the expressions on their faces when they first comprehend an idea.”

**Negatives of Teaching:** “Observing students miss opportunities in preparing for a career.”

**Advice to Students:** “”Take advantage of every learning opportunity you have at Itawamba Community College. Think of your career.”

IMANI MORRISON-CLARK  
Sports Editor



## 2016 graduates

Graduates who will participate in either the A.A. or A.A.S. ceremonies, which are scheduled for May 14, as of Mar. 9 include

### ASSOCIATE OF ARTS

Brittany Nichole Adams, Mary Elizabeth Adams, Logan Harrison Adkins, Kijahn A. Agnew, Julie N. Allen, Tiana J. Allen, Jordan Lee Allen, Tangie M. Almo, Alexandria B. Anderson, Emily E. Anderson, Kelli R. Aurell, Olivia K. Baggett, Cory Gene Bailey, Sydnie G. Bailey, Charnay Taylor Bailey-Claw, Harley Brooke Baker, Katherine N. Banes, Annika Joy Banuelos, Sha'Derricka Barker, Amber N. Barnett, Heather Barker, Rexford J. Barrett, Jenya C. Bartley, Robert Eugene Barton, Catherine Camille Beasley, Faith M. Beasley, Kaneisha A. Beale, Cayman E. Bell, Andreanna Marie Bell, Madison Leslie Benge, Anna Leigh Bennett, Brittani Nikole Berry, Jessica S. Best, Melvin Lee Bethay, Sarah E. Bierman, Mallory Kate Bierman, Marshanike Share Biggs, Destinee Marie Bigham, Dewey Alan Blansett, Taylor Blevins, Caleb M. Bo, Victoria N. Bobo, Lindey Nicole Boman, Taylor Austin Bordeaux, Alicia Brooks Bowen, Elizabeth D. Bowles, Nikyana S. Boyd, Theodore D. Boyd, Caile A. Bradham, Kaitlin T. Bradley, Kasey Kishi Braham, Brett C. Bramlett, Ashley Nicole Brasel, Austin M. Bray, Jessica L. Brewer, Waylon Carroll Britton, Brett A. Brooks, Caleb Reaves Brown, Erik A. Brown, Joshua Quitman Brown, Shanticia D. Brown, Timothy Earl Brown, Brannon Taylor Brown, Brittany J. Brownlee, Amber L. Buchanan, Cody Mitchell Buchanan, Sudaja Alexandria Buchanan, Xavier K. Buchanan, Jayson Xavier Burnett, Destiny Danielle Burns, Hannah Gabriella Burton, Danny H. Buskirk, Brooklynn Jeanee Byars, Gabrielle Marie Cannon, Keri Nicole Cantrell, Shanna Nicole Carnathan, Hannah Marie Carr, Amber Faith Carter, Bethany C. Carter, Thomas M. Carter, Matthew David Carville, Kimberly M. Cayson, Joshua Scott Chambers, Amy Elizabeth Chapman, Alison Brooke Childs, HuiLaam Chow, April M. Clark, Tatum A. Cleveland, Krista M. Clifton, Antonio R. Clifton, Mikayla Nichole Clouse, Broderwick Dewayne Cochran, Carmen Octavia Colburn, Lauren B. Coleman, Alexis D. Collier, Lauren Kamille Collier, Coralais Tiana Collins, Jaqaveious J. Collins, Sumner L. Conlee, Luke H. Cook, Michaela Lynne Cooper, Iisha Marie Copeland, Kaitlin Amya Copeland, Danielle J. Coprich, Sarah C. Corley, Megan Melissa Corrie, Tatyona N. Corrie, Carson Conner Crooks, Chandler Blake Dabbs, Darby K. Dabbs, Amanda L. Dabbs, Jessica Leigh Ann Dane, Kristin Blake Daniels, Benjamin S. Davis, Brittany Nicole Davis, Hannah G. Davis, Jerry Davis, Rico Derome Davis, Ron Douglas Davis, Gage T. Davis, Tevin T. Deale, Lauren B. Delashmitt, Jonna D. Denton, Jerica M. Denton, David Matthew Dickerson, Brodie A. Dinger, Sarah Louise Dobbs, Jeffrey Alan Dodd, Darrin Wayne Dulin, Laken Nicole Dunaway, Reanna L. Dupree, Dontavious Rashad Elliott, Jamar LaShawn Elzie, Bailey Lauren Eubanks, Richard Allen Evans, Sadie Alisabeth Evans, Tia I. Evans, Treasure Celess Evans, Latisha Lee Evans, Briana Nicole Everett, Ragan L. Fears, Whitney Leighanna Fears, Katelyn B. Ferguson, Coy A. Pitts, Mackenzie L. Fletcher, Alexis LaJuan Flowers, Victoria K. Flynn, Katelyn Victoria Fooshee, Destiny J. Ford, Madalyn Paige Forrest, Lindsey Patrice Foster, Tabitha L. Foster, Sarah A. Fowler, Kaylee Michelle Franklin, Taklnisha Shadae Franklin, Pamela Kaye



**ABE students at Itawamba Community College's Belden Center work in the Smart Lab in this file photo. Today's adult basic education isn't just a pathway to a high school equivalency certificate or GED. It's an access point for college entry, employment and the military.**

## MI-BEST offers opportunity to earn GED and college credit

### Staff Reports

ICC is now offering a program to enable individuals to earn the GED and college credit at the same time.

Area high school students have been able to take ICC courses while finishing their high school diploma for years, and through Mississippi Integrated and Basic Education and Skills Training (MI-BEST), GED students can benefit from the same opportunity, according to Julia Houston, director of Basic Skills.

Individuals who need a GED credential or already have a GED or high school credential but haven't yet taken any college courses can apply for the program.

MI-BEST participants will complete their GED credential along with college credit hours from course offerings approved by ICC.

The next step is into one of the four approved pathways at ICC, which include welding (one-year certificate), heating ventilation and air conditioning (one-year certificate with two-year degree option), business and office technology (one-year certificate with two-year degree option) and certified nursing assistant (12-week or less program).

MI-BEST funds are available to eligible students to assist with tuition, books and other fees, and they may qualify for Pell Grants to complete their degree. "This program which blends high school equivalency courses and college credit courses all while providing additional instructional support throughout the completion of a degree is new to Mississippi, but has been done in other states for quite

a while," Houston said. Smaller class sizes and additional instructor support should appeal to individuals who need to obtain both the GED as well as a college degree.

ICC is offering this one-of-a-kind dual enrollment opportunity for GED students. "We are glad that ICC has chosen to participate in blending the services of Career and Technical, Workforce and Adult Basic Education programs to make college/training more accessible to students," Houston said.

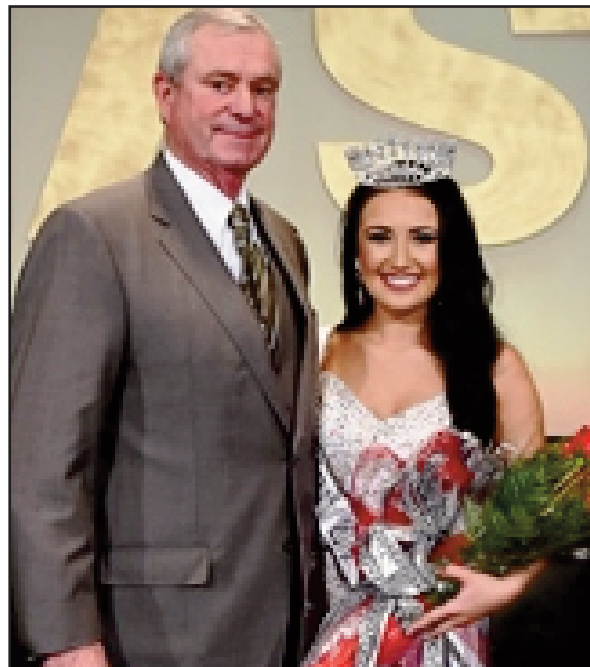
The first semester is currently underway at the Belden Center, but interested individuals are encouraged to contact ICC to apply for the next available opportunity.

For more information, visit the Basic Skills office at the ICC Belden Center or call (662) 407-1510.



## A pageant to remember

**Additional highlights of ICC's Most Beautiful pageant, Mar. 7, include clockwise from top, the top 10; Candice Pitts' entertainment, Most Beautiful Alicia Tubbs with President Mike Eaton and her formal photo.**



### ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Susie Nicole Abrams, Caitlin D. Aldridge, Kenya Sheree Alexander, Michael H. Allred, Chad D. Armstrong, Austin Blake Armstrong, Jacob J. Armstrong, Joshua M. Atkinson, Amanda Bagwell, Jason Shane Baker, Andrew D. Ballard, William C. Bass, Cynthia Diane Bell, Serena Lea Berghuis, Samantha Leean Berryman, Ashley E. Boatright, Fortioria Ormayo Bobo, Jamison Ray Boland, Jessica Kaye Bowles, Cody Lamar Box, Felicia M. Bradley, Brandi Nichole Bray, Justin W. Bridges, Haleigh A. Brooks, Kimberley G. Brown, Erin C. Bryant, Samuel Benjamin Buchanan, Ashton Victoria Bunch, Crysta L. Burleson, Hunter Ricks Burton, Patrick Jacob Campeau, Kelsey Lauren Carruth, Jerry A. Carter, Anna Beth Chamblee, Mitchell Gerald Chapman, Jeremiah Smith Christopher, April M. Clark, Mallory Paige Coussa, Neely S. Coggins, Francis Louise Coleman (2), Carolyn C. Costilow, Breanan Alexander Crafton, Rebekah Ann Crenshaw, Jordan John Crowder, Bonnie J. Crum, Jessica Lee Cumberland, Anngett Curry, Alexis N. 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Robertson, Darrell Jeffery Robinson, Lisa Ann Robinson, Terry Martavious Rogers, Skyla B. Rossion, Hannah E. Russell, Evan Michael Sallis, McKenna C. Sanderson, Kelcie B. Sawyer, John David Schmidt, Kimberley Schuler, Rebecca Isabella Sharpe, Joshua D. Simmons, Cheneka S. Sims, Caleb Andrew Smart, Hugh C. Smith, Jessica Ellen Smith, Alison Noel Smith, Samantha C. Smith, Wesley B. Smith, Olen M. Snider, Beverly Stone Speed, Taylor B. Stanfield, Justin Kyle Stanford, Savannah Jean Stevens, Joshua L. Steward, Jericca C. Stogner, Kelly D. Stout, Tamara Nicole Strange, Patrick Allen Suduth, Daniel D. Sullivan, Bailey L. Sullivan, Melissa Kate Tackett, Melbys Evelyn Tavera, Whitney D. Taylor, Abigail Elizabeth Taylor, Crystal Lynn Smith Tharp, Brady C. Thompson, Wesley Jack Tillison, Lezlie N. Tollison, John Andrew Troxler, William Coleman Turner, Donald Mason Turner, Shana R. Turpin, Zachary Andrew Tybor, Tari J. Vance, Jose A. Vazquez, Rebecca Lynn Verrell (2), Courtney L. Walker, Dustin L. Walker, Michelle Marie Warren, George Wesley Washington, O'Bryan Katherine Watkins, Clara E. Watson, Kelsi T. Watson, Valerie Lynn West, Shannon Lee Sullivan Westfall, Katherine E. Katy White, Courtney N. White, Bonner R. Whittington, Frank Preston Wiginton, Haley Brooke Wilbanks, James C. Wilbanks, Anna K. Williams, Ashley Sue Williams, Reed McMath Williams, Samantha M. Williams, Tracie Williams, Chelsea H. Williams, Kaitlyn E. Williams, Pamela L. Williams, Katelyn Gail Williford, Sonjaneka Fenechia Willis, Abigail Brooke Wilson, Stephanie Wilson, Nivia Latory Wilcyn, Paul N. Wise, Hunter Alan Wood, Dianna Lynne Woodley, Zachary K. Wooten, Katie B. Worthy, Alicia Paige Yant, Angela J. Yeats.

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Meeting Room  
CLUB NEWS & CALENDAR

FULTON CAMPUS

Art Club	Shawn Whittington	862.8301
Bass Club	Emily Loden Jones	862.8329
	Jason Campbell	862.8357
Chieftain	Donna Thomas	862.8244
Computer Science	Delores Tull	862.8138
Diversity Club	Morgan Cutturini	862.8167
Film Club	Morgan Cutturini	862.8167
Forestry Club	Emily Loden Jones	862.8147
Fut. Ed. of Amer.	Chris Cox	862.8181
Gospel Sounds	Carrie Ball-Williamson	862.8123
Indian Delegation	Emily Tucker	862.8253
Mirror	Kim Williams	862.8242
MS Early Child.	Holly Kirk	620.5344
Modern Language	Jolene Hoots	862.8162
Phi Theta Kappa	Jolene Hoots	862.8162
	Robin Lowe	862.8166
	Heather McCormick	862.8191
	Dr. Ashley Lancaster	862.8236
Photography Club	Kim Williams	862.8242
Political Science	Chris Stevenson	862.8169
Science Club	Pam Clevenger	862.8368
	Dr. Betsy Chesnutt	862.8365
SGA	Dr. Buddy Collins	862.8271

TUPELO CAMPUS

Amer. Sign Lang.	Nikki Martin	620.5038
Bass Club	Jason Gholston	620.5159
	Dylan Baldwin	620.5156
Comp. Prog./Net.	Tanya Cox	620.5114
Diversity Club	Sheree Lence	620.5036
Future Rad. Tech.	Paul Crum	620.5233
HOSA	Lori Little	620.5122
Indian Delegation	Michael Holloway	620.5278
Legal Ed. Assn.	Lynn Millender	620.5345
	Jamie Hall	620.5342
	Bo Rowland	620.5340
Phi Beta Lambda	Tammy Lauderdale	620.5128
Phi Theta Kappa	Jenny Bowers	620.5045
	Dr. Delena Hukle	620.5163
	Ira Lindsay Kinard	620.5043
	Betsy White	620.5033
NCF	Dr. Earnest Agnew	620.5208
OTA	Dee Dee Lomenick	620.5026
Resp. Therapy	James Newell	620.5237
Student PTA Club	Dr. Cheryl Ware	620.5025
Student Gov. Assn.	Cynthia Adams	620.5305
SHIMA	Donna Vaughn	620.5123
SkillsUSA	Brad Crowder	620.5155
SNA	Robin Phillips	620.5222

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

BSU	Chris Burrows	862.3278
Campus Minis. Int.	Tony Lee	862.8224
FCA	Nanci Gray	862.8420
Wesley Foundation	John Foster	401.3863

PTK chapters  
win regional  
awards

Staff Reports

ICC’s chapters of Phi Theta Kappa received several awards at the organization’s regional conference, Feb. 26-27, at Mississippi State University.

Awards for the Upsilon Sigma chapter (Fulton Campus) include Kate Hester of Pontotoc, Coca-Cola Silver Scholar, All-Mississippi Academic Team (first team), Order of the Golden Key; Michaela Cooper of Mantachie, Coca-Cola Silver Scholar, All-Mississippi Academic Team (second team), Distinguished Chapter Officer; Robin Lowe of Amory, nominated as Phi Theta Kappa Secretary Division II for the National Council of Advisors and Continued Excellence Award for Advisors; Distinguished Chapter award (ninth); Honors in Action award (seventh); Theme 7 award (second); Heather McCormick of Fulton, Horizon Award for Advisors and Regional Advisory Board (three-year term); Five-Star award; Website (second runner-up); Regional Secretary position; and Regional T-Shirt Design winner.

The Upsilon Sigma chapter can potentially win five International awards at PTK’s annual international convention, Apr. 7-9, in National Harbor, Md.

The Beta Tau Sigma chapter (Tupelo Campus) awards include Jenny Bowers of Tupelo and Ira Lindsay Kinard of Houston, Horizon Award for Advisors; Regional Five-Star award; and Dixie Priest of Pontotoc and Margaret Hudson of Blue Springs, All-Mississippi Academic Team (second team).

PTK, headquartered in Jackson, is the largest honor society in higher education with 1,285 chapters on college campuses in all 50 of the United States, U.S. territorial possessions and eight sovereign nations.



Celebration  
of Unity

Speakers for the SGA-sponsored Celebration of Unity programs included top, Ramon Gary at the Fulton Campus, and bottom, Shane Hooper at the Tupelo Campus.



Phi Theta Kappa  
to formally induct members

Staff Reports

ICC students who joined the Upsilon Sigma and the Beta Tau Sigma chapters of Phi Theta Kappa last fall and before Mar. 4 have been invited to participate in the organization’s formal induction ceremony that is scheduled for 6 p.m., Mar. 29, in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus.

New members of the Beta Tau Sigma chapter, who have been extended an invitation to participate, include Heath Blake, Juan Garza, both of **Amory**; Lacey Wood, Alexandria Sappington, both of **Belden**; Jamie Bridges, Noah Tackitt, Alana Quillian, all of **Blue Springs**; Victor Gonzalez, Taylor McKnight, both of **Ecru**; Melody Lyles, Phillip Buse, Collin Hamric, Heather Howell, all of **Guntown**; Conner Davidson of **Houlka**; Charlsi Allen, Hannah Grimes, Madison Halvorson, Cassandra Smith, Hali Whitt, all of **Houston**; Hannah Stegall of **Mantachie**; Megan Lytal of **Mooreville**; Garrett Sullivan, Kirkland Schlicht, Tanner Crawley, Kimberly Monteith, Parker Tipton, all of **Nettleton**; Jessica Moore of **Okolona**; Elizabeth Medlin of **Plantersville**; Naima Cruz, Claudia Hoing, Allyson Holloway, Allysa Lipsey, James Pennington, Samantha Pickering, Summer Strevel, Sean Robinson, all of **Pontotoc**; Summer Harris, Aryn Till, Hannah Carr, Kaitlyn Hankins, Serenity Hawkins, Larrah Wilbanks, Emily Wood, all of **Saltillo**; Jennifer Vasquez of **Shannon**; Leah Barton of **Thaxton**; Jennifer Cereceres, Ekaterina Blapodirova, Kara Coward, Mylie Haire, Morgan Mahin, John Nance, all of **Tupelo**; Laci Fugett of **Vardaman** and Zachary Mixon of **Woodland**.

Those who have joined the Upsilon Sigma chapter are Brittany Schrock, Austin Bishop, Savannah Childers, Leah Gann, Paige Imel, Tucker Robbins, all of **Aberdeen**; Abby Cantrell, Omega Mitchell, Lauren Washington, Hope Woods, Ashley Fullerton, Jordan Ginn, Chelsie Koestler, Sarah Maxey, Yen Nguyen, mary Reeves, Hannah

Schmoock, Margaret Smith, Kelsey Walden, Weston Whitehead, all of **Amory**; Sheneria Tyes, Robert Lusby, Teah Pearson, all of **Baldwyn**; Jared Shields of **Becker**; Katherine Allred, Aaron Chamblee, Harley Jackson, all of **Belden**; Tatyana Pannell of **Blue Springs**; Anna Elliott of **Booneville**; Jason Bryant, Peyton Burton, Victoria Flynn, all of **Caledonia**; Stacy Brown of **Calhoun City**; Taylor Thornton of **Carrollton**; Claire McIlwain of **Clinton**; Destinee Bigham, Alex Burns, Shykira Meady, all of **Columbus**; Madison Colley, Monica Hutchens, Kathryn Knippers, Bennett Mills, Alyssa Park, all of **Corinth**; Jonathan Payne of **Dennis**; Andrea Bean, Haley Floyd, Brandi Kelley, Kari Lease, Cynthia Lentz, Lauren Meador, Anthony Mitchell, Samuel Murphree, Haley Peoples, Kelsie Plunkett, Bayleigh Sheffield, McKenzie Smith, Laura Todd, Allie Bennett, Tanner Beville, Thomas Blake, Hannah Burton, Kaley Loague, Abigail Mayhall, Andrew McDonald, Hannah Parker, Lana Prather, Devan Ramey, Shannon Sullivan, Hayden Wilkerson, Tyler Wood, all of **Fulton**; Taylor Bordeleau of **Glen**; Houston Orr, Michael Buchanan, Mattie Graham, Morgan Stephens, all of **Golden**; Elizabeth Ellis, Richard Stephenson, William Swann, Adriana Guin, all of **Guntown**; Sarah Garvin, Chelsey Johnson, Hallie Dobbs, Kaitlyn Gilreath, Alix Goodwin, Ty Jernigan, Adriana Thompson, all of **Hamilton**; Brandon Williams of **Holcomb**; Maura Autry of **Holly Springs**; Rebecca Gann, McKenzie Morris, Robert Peden, all of **Houlka**; Cristin Cook, Jerry Gravat, Ramsey Earnest, Kieshonda Maxwell, Justin Merri-man, all of **Houston**; Mikayla Clouse, Clint Kelly, Chandler South, Caitlyn Inghram, Hannah Kirksey, Caitlin Smith, Courtney Smith, Samantha Strickland, Landon Whitmon, all of **Mantachie**; Mallory Guin, Mallory Pannell, Austin Black, Madison Dickinson, all of **Marietta**; Michaela Shoup of **Michigan City**; Nicholas Brown, Jedediah Joslin, James Fancher, Zachary

SGA  
Indian Week  
Apr. 18-22

Staff Reports

Planning is underway for Indian Week 2016, which is set to begin on both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses, Apr. 18.

FULTON CAMPUS

Tentative plans for Fulton include

**Monday, Apr. 18** - Cookout, Crane Pavilion, noon; and hypnotist, Fine Arts auditorium, 7 p.m.;

**Tuesday, Apr. 19** - Crazy Photos, Student Activities Center, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Bingo, Academic 120, 7 p.m.;

**Wednesday, Apr. 20** - Movie Night, 7 p.m., FAA;

**Thursday, Apr. 21** - Cookout, Pavilion, noon; and Indian Idol finale, Fine Arts auditorium, 7 p.m.; and

**Friday, Apr. 22** - Special cafeteria lunch.

TUPELO CAMPUS

Tupelo’s tentative schedule includes

**Monday, Apr. 18** - Movie Monday, Free Popcorn and Drinks, Student Affairs Presentation Room, Student Sup-

port Center, noon;

**Tuesday, April 19** - CenterStage, Location TBA, noon;

**Wednesday, April 20** - Bingo - great prizes, Student Affairs Presentation Room, Student Support Center, noon;

**Thursday, April 21** - lip sync contest, caricature artist, inflatable games, club-sponsored activities, free food, Pavilion, noon;

**Friday, April 22** - Career Boot Camp, presentation, noon-12:30 p.m., Student Affairs Presentation Room, Student Support Center; mock interviews and resume’ critique, same location, 12:30-3 p.m.; box lunches while they last, same location, beginning at noon.

All week - Fine the Lost Indian. Clues are given daily. All clues will be posted on the Student Activities bulletin boards in each building and on the College’s website, www.iccms.edu. The first clue will be out Monday, April 18, at 10 a.m.

Richey, all of **Mooreville**; Courtney Barnes, Mason Caldwell, Hannah Carr, Arianna Collier, Brianna Collier, Emma Dabbs, Brandy Pounds, Jon Ray, Benjamin Rogers, Alexis Weaver, all of **Nettleton**; Hannah Graham, Justin Gary, both of **New Albany**; James Ballard, Kimberly Gray, Evanjolin Sims, all of **Okolona**; Cody Buchanan, Micaela Mendez, both of **Olive Branch**; Loura Varner of **Oxford**; Blake Appel of **Petal**; Courtney Wells of **Philadelphia**; Brianna Barrett, Emily Lee, Landrie Witcher, all of **Plantersville**; Amanda Bannon, Keysha Bradley, Barron Inmon, Taylor Johnson, Andrea Munn, Wesley Russell, Aimee Scott, John Williams, Morgan Chism, Blake Guntharp, Margaret Hatcher, Sarah Hill, Michael Horton, McKensie Mask, April Royce, Katelyn Sanders, Brady Sullivan, Bailey Tutor, all of **Pontotoc**; David Hughes of **Potts Camp**; Emily Buster of **Prattville, Ala.**; Justus Wright of **Randolph**; Holly Hicks of **Red Bay, Ala.**; Kathryn Sappington of **Rolling Fork**; Kristin Clark, Sarbjot Malli, Mason Fields, Shelby Knight, Mason Lambert, Janna Mallette, Lynnse Phelps, Sarah Philip, Emerald Pounders, Margaret Wigginton, Mollie Yarbrough, all of **Saltillo**; Marquisha Watson of **Senatobia**; Sarah Radcliff of **Shannon**; Victoria Bobo, Emmie Hawkins, Morgan McNeese, Brody Skinner, Allie Steadman, Shannan Summerford, all of **Smithville**; Megan Moorhead of **Starkville**; Andra Nelson of **Thaxton**; Shelby Bobo of **Tishomingo**; Sherri Gunter, Benjamin Warnick, Kevon Bishop, Samuel Dexter, Brooke Frederick, Terry Horton, Bryce Hunt, Erica Loden, Lily-Claire Mann, Shanda Martin, Logan Nguyen, Cameron O’Daniel, Casey Owen, John Levi Pennington, Katherine Reese, Jordan Roberts, Alyssa Stanford, Tyler Sykes, Samantha Turba, Jeffrey Wade, Elizabeth Wyatt, all of **Tupelo**; Jaden King, Kelsey Lemire, both of **Weir**; Napoleon Boyd of **West Point**; and Davarion Armstead of **Winona**.



## Briefly SPEAKING

### 4-WEEK ACCELERATED TERM

Registration for a four-week eLearning accelerated term is continuing at both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses of ICC.

Students may register through Apr. 12 for the classes which begin Apr. 11.

The schedule includes art appreciation, anatomy and physiology I and II, computer concepts, English composition I and II, American literature I and II, American (U.S.) history I and II, college life, college algebra, introduction to astronomy with lab and public speaking I.

For more information on registration, contact Student Affairs on the Fulton Campus or Tupelo Campus or email [go2icc@iccms.edu](mailto:go2icc@iccms.edu).

### Review

## lockdown procedures

Recent random acts of violence occurring across the nation are a reminder for students, faculty and staff to review ICC's lockdown procedures.

"The procedures are meant to be very simple because at the point of a lockdown, the major concern is the safety of all of the individuals in the campus community," according to Dr. Buddy Collins, vice president of Student Services.

Notification will be communicated via ICC ALERT (text messages, phone and email), the Emergency Information Web page and college email.

Upon notification of campus lockdown, everyone must react immediately.

The procedures include

- 1) Lock all doors and windows;
- 2) Close all blinds;
- 3) Turn off lights;
- 4) Use room furnishings to barricade doors and as protection;
- 5) Everyone should sit on the floor, away from doors and windows;
- 6) Make no noises; and
- 7) Remain in lockdown until it is cleared with a notice via ICC ALERT or the police/administrator gives the ALL CLEAR code.

### TRYOUTS SCHEDULED All-American Band

The ICC All-American Band has scheduled auditions for 3 p.m., Apr. 14, at the Fulton Campus.

Locations include color guard, Fitness Center intramural gym; Indianettes/dancers, W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium; drum majors, Fine Arts band hall; and feature twirler/majorette, Fine Arts auditorium.

The Indianette auditions will include right and left pirouette, right and left split leap, toe touch and kicks. Each participant will learn the ICC fight song and dance to be performed in groups. Shorts and tank tops are appropriate attire.

Instrumentalist auditions, which are by appointment only, may be scheduled by contacting All-American Band director Brian Gillentine at [btgillentine@iccms.edu](mailto:btgillentine@iccms.edu) or at (662) 862-8305.

For more information on color guard auditions, contact director Christy Colburn at (662) 862-8302 or [cacolburn@iccms.edu](mailto:cacolburn@iccms.edu); or Indianette auditions, director Sarah Beth McCarter at [sbmccarter@iccms.edu](mailto:sbmccarter@iccms.edu).

### Choir and CenterStage

Auditions for ICC's choir and CenterStage for 2016 will be Apr. 15 in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center on the Fulton Campus.

Times include choir, 2 p.m., and CenterStage, 4 p.m.

Vocalists who are interested in CenterStage will be required to audition for the choir. Students will perform a prepared song of their choice, vocalize on various scales and sight read. After the choir auditions, the choreography that will be performed for auditions will be taught in an impromptu session. Each participant will also sing his/her vocal selection during this time. Having an accompaniment track or an accompanist has historically helped with the auditioning process. No a capella singing is suggested, and an accompanist will be provided if necessary.

Instrumentalists who are interested in auditioning for the CenterStage band must have a short prepared selection and be ready to demonstrate any improvising skills they may have. Percussionists will play along with an accompaniment track that will represent three different styles of music: rock, ballad and swing. These auditions will be in the Fine Arts Center auditorium.

For more information, contact director Karen Davis at (662) 862-8306 or [kbdavis@iccms.edu](mailto:kbdavis@iccms.edu) or Christy Colburn at (662) 862-8302 or [cacolburn@iccms.edu](mailto:cacolburn@iccms.edu).

*Staff Reports*

## Good luck!

**Members of ICC's Lady Indians Region 23 Championship team sign posters during a send-off ceremony, Thursday, at the David C. Cole Student Services building at the Fulton Campus. The Lady Indians. Young fans such as this one joined students, faculty and staff in the send-off prior to their leaving for Lubbock, Tex. and the national tournament.**



## Registration underway for C2C program at ICC Belden Center

*Staff Reports*

Registration is underway for the C2C program at ICC.

Individuals who are between the ages of 16-24 who do not have a high school diploma or GED who want to go to work and are serious about working toward starting a career may qualify. A limited number of participants will be accepted from Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe and Pontotoc counties.

C2C at ICC can open doors for oppor-

tunities in certified nursing assistant; welding; heating ventilation and air conditioning and business office technology.

C2C is funded by the Mississippi Partnership Workforce Development Board and the Three Rivers Planning and Development District, Inc.

For more information or to register, visit a WIN Job Center in Amory, Houston, Belden or Pontotoc or call (662)-407-1205.

## Stoles, tassels available for PTK members

*Staff Reports*

At Itawamba Community College's commencement, which is scheduled for May 14 at the Fulton Campus, Phi Theta Kappa members wear the approved stole and tassel distinguishing them as scholars and leaders at ICC and in their communities.

The cost is \$35, payable by cash or check by the Apr. 15 deadline. The price increases to \$40 after the deadline, and availability is not guaranteed.

Stoles and tassels will not be available at the commencement breakfast or ceremonies.

PTK members who wish to purchase a stole and tassel must contact either Robin Lowe at the Fulton Campus, [rm-lowe@iccms.edu](mailto:rm-lowe@iccms.edu) or (662) 862-8166, or Betsy White on the Tupelo Campus, [ecwhite@iccms.edu](mailto:ecwhite@iccms.edu) or (662) 620-5033.



## Bluegrass concert



**Fans packed the Davis Event Center, Mar. 5, for the 20th annual Bluegrass Concert, a fundraiser for scholarships, which featured Gene Watson, Rhonda Vincent, Dailey & Vincent and Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver.**



FYI  
MAKE A NOTE OF IT

HEALTH PROGRAM DEADLINE

Apr. 1 is the deadline to apply for admission into several health-related programs at ICC.

They include associate degree nursing, health information technology, licensed practical nursing (August class), occupational therapy assistant technology, physical therapist assistant technology, radiologic technology, respiratory therapy technology and surgical technology, all at the Tupelo Campus, and public health technology, the new online program that will begin in August.

For more information about program requirements, access ICC’s website at [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu) or call (662) 620-5239.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE

Apr. 1 is the deadline for submission of online applications for private donor scholarships at ICC.

A list of scholarships with complete descriptions is available at ICC’s website, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu), then click on the Financial Aid tab and Scholarships at ICC under the Financial Aid links.

Private donor scholarships are established and funded for ICC students by individuals, businesses, industries or organizations.

For more information on application, contact Dian Nichols, director of Scholarships, at [dmnichols@iccms.edu](mailto:dmnichols@iccms.edu) or call (662) 862-8067.

SPRING ‘16 EXAM SCHEDULE

Period	Time	Day	Date
B/BB	8-10:15	Thurs	May 5
K	10:30-12:45	Thurs	May 5
L	1-3:15	Thurs	May 5
H	3:30-5:45	Thurs	May 5
C/CC	8-10:15	Fri	May 6
M	10:30-12:45	Fri	May 6
O	1-3:15	Fri	May 6
A/AA	8-10:15	Mon	May 9
E/DD	10:30-12:45	Mon	May 9
N	1-3:15	Mon	May 9
D	8-10:15	Tues	May 10
F	10:30-12:45	Tues	May 10
G/EE	1-3:15	Tues	May 10
After Work - Evening - Weekend			
I/J - 3:35-5:45	6-8:40	Tues	May 3
P/Q - 3:35-5:45	6-8:40	Wed	May 4
Tue	6-8:40	Tues	May 3
Wed	6-8:40	Wed	May 4
Thurs	6-8:40	Thurs	May 5
Sat		Sat	May 7
Mon	6-8:40	Mon	May 9

FOOD FOR THOUGHT, LIFE

Visit the Learning Resource Center on the Fulton Campus for more information and resources on March’s topic, **Healthy Apps**, and April’s topic, **Food in Literature and Film**. The series is sponsored by the University of Mississippi Medical Center for Bioethics and Medical Humanities and the Mississippi Humanities Council.

SURVEY REMINDER

ICC students have an opportunity to provide their opinions through the Student Evaluation of Instruction. The surveys, which will be received by email, will cover their classes, campus police, student affairs and student activities. They will remain available from Mar. 21-Apr. 1.

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Mississippi State University and the University of Southern Mississippi both award Presidential Partnership Scholarships to community college transfers.

Mississippi State awards the scholarship to two transfer students from each community college. It is a one-year award of \$1,500 (\$750 per semester). Southern Miss will give one scholarship to an ICC student, a one time award of \$1,000.

Students who would like to be considered for either scholarship must submit a letter requesting consideration and a resume’, which should include major, GPA, future plans, awards, campus and volunteer activities, etc. The letter must be received in ICC’s President’s office by 4 p.m., May 6. A selection committee will make the decision the next week.

Scholarship application processes for both Mississippi State and Southern Miss must be followed as well. The USM scholarship deadline for the fall semester is Aug. 15.

Staff Reports



Yum  
Yum!

Participants in Itawamba Community College’s new Magnolia Gold program hosted a fundraiser lunch recently at the Fulton Campus. The cadets sold tickets, top photo, and served the chili, grilled cheese sandwich and dessert.



Upcoming opportunities  
for exercise and fitness

Tour  
de’Tanglefoot  
bike ride

Staff Reports

Area cyclists will have an opportunity on Apr. 30 to participate in the third annual Tour de’Tanglefoot Trail, sponsored by the Itawamba Community College Foundation, Inc.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m., and the ride, at 8 a.m., in Pontotoc, where cyclists will start and end.

The event is a fundraiser for scholarships for ICC students. The entry fee is \$25 for those who pre-register by Apr. 23 or \$30 on the day of the event. All participants will receive a free dry-fit shirt. In addition, all riders have the opportunity to secure mile sponsors to further support ICC.

To participate, register online at [RacesOnline.com](http://RacesOnline.com) or

[www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu); or mail the form, which may be downloaded from ICC’s website to ICC Foundation, Inc., 602 West Hill Street, Fulton, MS 38843, or stop by the registration table the morning of the ride.

Bikes will be available for rental onsite.

For more information, contact Jim Ingram, director of Institutional Advancement, at (662) 862-8047 or [jingram@iccms.edu](mailto:jingram@iccms.edu) or Tyler Camp, director of Development, at (662) 862-8176 or [twcamp@iccms.edu](mailto:twcamp@iccms.edu).

WellFIT 365  
Campus  
and  
Community 5K

Registration is underway for the Itawamba Community College WellFIT 365 Campus and Community 5K, which is scheduled for 8

a.m., Apr. 23, at the Davis Event Center at the Fulton Campus.

The cost is \$20 through online registration cutoff and \$25 on race day. Packet pickup will be from 7-7:45 a.m. Awards will be presented to the top three males and females in age groups. Each participant will receive a short-sleeve tie-dyed t-shirt with the official ICC WellFIT 365 logo.

WellFIT 365, an initiative focused on improving health and wellness for the ICC campus and community, is funded through a Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation grant.

To register, click on <http://www.racesonline.com/event/s/icc-wellfit-365-5k> or go to [www.racesonline.com](http://www.racesonline.com) and search for ICC WellFIT 365 5K.

Fulton Fitness Center has  
new log-in kiosk

Staff Reports

ICC’s Fulton Campus has a new log-in kiosk.

The touch screen kiosk allows individuals to receive credit toward WellFIT 365 incentive programs for all workouts, according to Dr. Krista Woods, Health and Wellness Grant director.

She encourages the use of the kiosk for all group exercise classes, cardiovascular workouts, weight

workouts and outdoor cardiovascular workouts. “If you are an outdoor workout enthusiast, simply design your route to pass by the Fitness Center, complete your log-in and keep going.”

To receive credit for workouts, individuals must log-in at the kiosk, scan their ID, check all of the reasons that apply and click the “Finish” button to have their workouts recorded.





## UPCOMING MUSIC & ARTS, ETC...

### Spring concerts & events

State Community College  
Showchoir Showdown  
*Apr. 4-5*

Jazz Band Concert  
*Apr. 11 - 6:30 p.m.*

Vocal Recital  
*Apr. 12 - 6:30 p.m.*

Color Guard, Twirler, Drum Major  
Auditions  
*Apr. 14 - 3 p.m.*

Spring Band Concert  
*Apr. 14 - 6:30 p.m.*

Choir, CenterStage Auditions  
*Apr. 15 - 2 p.m., 4 p.m.*

Choir and Chamber Singers Concert  
*Apr. 21 - 6:30 p.m.*

Small Ensemble Concert  
*Apr. 26 - 6:30 p.m.*

CenterStage Concert  
*Apr. 28 - 6:30 p.m.*

*W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center*



## ICC students place: state art competition

### Staff Reports

ICC's students are competing with those from 12 other community and junior colleges in this year's annual State Community and Junior College Art competition, which will be on display in the Gallery in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center at the Fulton Campus through Apr. 4. Five ICC students placed.

The awards ceremony and college instructor meeting will begin at 10 a.m., Apr. 4, in the Gallery.

The host site rotates among the colleges, and the last time it was at ICC was in the fall of 2008.

ICC students who won awards include **Haley Cockrell** of Baldwyn, honorable mention in painting and mixed media, "Beautiful Hell;" **Katie Chavers** of Tupelo, honorable mention in drawing, "Heart and Soul;" **Elena Whitehead** of Saltillo, honorable mention in two-dimensional design, "Consumerism;" **Rya Raper** of Amory, honorable mention in three-dimensional design, "The Big One;" and **Julius West** of Tupelo, honorable mention in three-dimensional design, "Bon Voyage."

Students from 13 of Mississippi's community colleges are competing in this event. They include Copiah-Lincoln Community College, East Central Community College, East Mississippi Community College - Mayhew and Scooba, Hinds Community College, Holmes Community College, Itawamba Community College, Jones County Junior College, Meridian Community College, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, Northeast Mississippi Community College and Northwest Mississippi Community College.

According to Shawn Whittington of ICC's art department, the number of works allowed for each college was determined through a percentage system based on student enrollment numbers. ICC students submitted 84 pieces for prejudging, but were allowed 19 entries overall. Hinds Community College had the most entries with 32. Whittington and Dana Arnold selected the works that represented ICC's art department.

The exhibit includes approximately 160 works arranged and judged according to categories. Cash for first, second and third places and honorable mention will be awarded in the categories of painting and mixed media, drawing, 2D design, graphic arts, printmaking, photograph, 3D design and sculpture and ceramics.

The jurors included Greely Myatt, professor of art

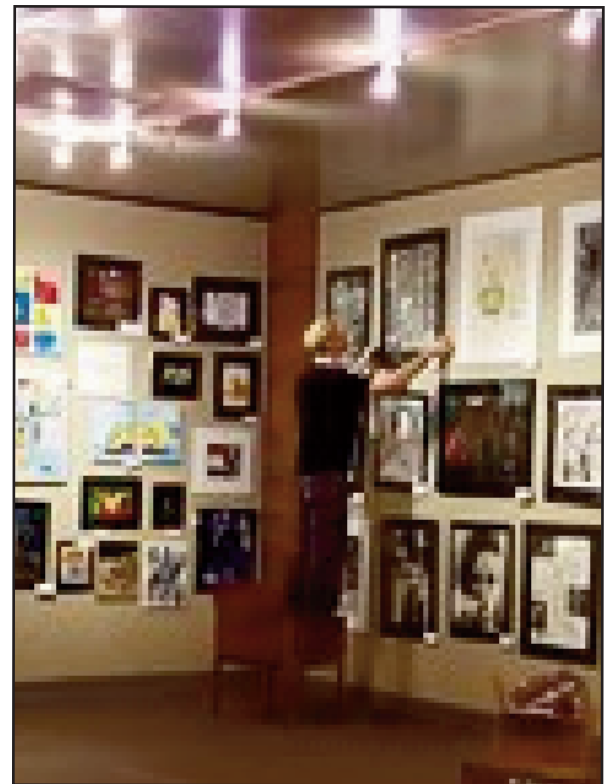
at the University of Memphis, and Tad Lauritzen Wright, an alumnus of the Memphis College of Art.

Myatt oversees the sculpture department at the University of Memphis. He is an internationally recognized artist and recipient of a Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters award in Visual Art in 1994, the Alumni Association Award for Distinguished Achievement in the Creative Arts from the University of Memphis in 2002 and Alumnus of the Year from Delta State University in 2006. An ICC alumnus, Myatt taught at the College from 1983-84. He is currently represented by David Lusk Gallery in Memphis, Tenn. and Sandler Hudson Gallery in Atlanta, Ga.

Wright has participated in solo and group exhibitions nationwide as well as many community art projects in the Memphis area. He is currently an adjunct professor of drawing at the University of Memphis. He is also represented by the David Lusk Gallery in Memphis, Tenn.

The public is invited to view the exhibit during Gallery hours, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., weekdays. There is no charge for admission.

For more information, contact Shawn Whittington at (662) 862-8301 or [eswhittington@iccms.edu](mailto:eswhittington@iccms.edu).



**ICC students view the state art competition exhibit in the Gallery, top photo, and preparations are made for the show, above.**

## ICC choir performs at state festival

### Staff Reports

ICC's choir performed at the State Choral Festival, Feb. 18 and 19, at the Riley Center in Meridian.

They joined other community colleges in the state for the event, which featured visiting clinicians who worked with students on prepared music. This year's clinicians were Dr. Phillip Stockton from Mississippi University for Women and Dr. Webb Parker from the University of Southern Mississippi. The choirs also performed individually during the festival.

"It's a wonderful experience for the students to work with other conductors and to hear the various choirs from around the state," said Karen Davis, who with Dr. Robert Taylor, directs the choir.

## Reading Roundtable

Stephen Williford, author and speech writer for FEDEX founder Fred Smith, will be the guest for ICC's Reading Roundtable, at 2 p.m., Apr. 6, at the Belden Center.

He also assisted Bud Davis with his memoir, "It's Time," and Zig Ziglar with "Steps to the Top." His latest works include "Show and Tell" and "Along the Way." Admission is free.

## Indian Idol elimination rounds start today

### Staff Reports

Following several rounds of open auditions which began on Mar. 2, the road to the title begins today with the first elimination round.

It's scheduled for 7 p.m. in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium on the Fulton Campus.

Those who have made it this far include Lakendra Orr, Lynnse Phelps, Tabitha Foster, Theo Boyd, Jordan Wade, Davianna Pulliam, Jon Ray, Layla Taylor, Mark Robbins, Meg Higginbottom, Alexis Collier, John Mitchell, Saydee Moss, Georgia Kate Connor, Arial Burger, Jamie Wilburn, Ben Watson, Tory Bau-

com, Christopher Montgomery and Daviont'e Tyes.

Additional rounds are scheduled for Mar. 30, Apr. 7 and 13 with the finale on Apr. 21. Times are 7 p.m.

Indian Idol is sponsored by the Fulton Campus Student Government Association.

**FAFSA filing deadline - April 15**



# ICC fishermen overcome obstacles, win major tourney

**Kevin Tate**  
*Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal*  
Hunter Schrock and Russ Johnson, two Itawamba Community College students from Monroe County, had a series of experiences familiar to most veteran fishermen on a trip to Alabama’s Lake Martin.

They locked their truck and boat keys inside their vehicle on the first day, then, on the next, had to replace a trailer hub before its wheel fell off on the way to the lake. Their boat’s fishing electronics were broken before they even left Mississippi, so they spent most of their time making do without depth finders, water temperature indicators or any other such support. All in all it was a pretty typical weekend on the water, other than the fact it ended with them beating 213 other sets of fishermen and winning the Carhartt Bassmaster College Series Southern Regional which, of course, was also the first event bigger than a local club tournament they’d ever entered.

“It still feels unreal,” said Schrock, from Greenwood Springs in Monroe County.

Placing in the top 26 qualified them to compete in the 2016 collegiate national championship later this year. Placing first overall qualified them for the experience of their young lifetimes.

“We’ve fished quite a few tournaments around here,” Johnson, from Becker, also in Monroe County, said, “but most of them have been evening fruit jars with 10 to 15 boats in the area, and mostly with local guys we knew.”

**Welcome to the big show**  
A fruit jar is a casual, single-day or evening tournament, usually run by a local club where everyone knows everyone else. The field is composed of whoever shows up and chips in a fee, putting all the money into one pot, box, plastic bag or jar for safe keeping until weigh-in.

By contrast, the Carhartt Bassmaster College Series Southern Regional drew competitors from across the southeast, representing many of the region’s largest schools, including members of the SEC and the ACC.

“It was our first time competing anywhere outside of Monroe County,” Schrock said.

The pair got their first look at Lake Martin during a pre-tournament scouting run on the last weekend in January and hit right away upon the strategy that would see them through. Lake Martin covers 44,000 acres and parts of three counties in east central Alabama. It has more than 750 miles of shoreline. It is an impoundment of the Tallapoosa River used to generate electricity by way of the hydroelectric Martin Dam.

Completed in 1926 it was, for a time, the largest man-made body of water in the world. Among other things, it’s large enough to hold plenty of areas that look like the places on the Tenn-Tom Waterway where Schrock and Johnson would expect, under sim-



**Hunter Schrock, left, of Greenwood Springs, and Russ Johnson of Becker, both in Monroe County, won the Carhartt Bassmaster College Series Southern Regional, beating 213 other teams from across the Southeast.**

ilar conditions, to catch fish, so they attacked it that way. They would come to rely on the Strike King KVD 2.5 square bill crankbait throughout the three-day event.

**Shallow running**  
“The first day we got there, which was a week before the tournament, Hunter picked up the crankbait and caught a fish on the 10th cast,” Johnson said. “We decided that was what we wanted to go with. We tried some other things during practice and didn’t have a single bite on them.”

“We went deep with Carolina rigs but, without electronics, we couldn’t do much,” Schrock said.

“So,” Johnson said, “we decided to go shallow with the square bill crankbait and stick with it.”

Sticking with it would become the theme of their tournament experience. Before they launched their boat on the first day, they locked their keys to both truck and boat inside their vehicle. After failing to break a window with a tennis racquet Johnson found in his toolbox, they used a tree limb to pry a door open and get into the truck, after which they launched their boat and caught a five-fish limit that weighed in at nine pounds, eight ounces.

The next morning, on their way to the lake, the hub of one of the trailer

wheels burned out and left the wheel sitting at a 45-degree angle.

“Two officers from the Alexander City Police Department stopped and helped them fix it,” said Jason Campbell, the ICC team’s faculty advisor and a biology instructor on the Fulton campus. “If it hadn’t been for those two officers helping them, they wouldn’t have been able to make it to the boat ramp in time, so they’re definitely indebted to them.”

**Roadside repairs**  
“A lot of people would have given up in that situation,” Johnson said, “especially when the bearing and tire came off. A lot of people would have packed it up and gone back to the hotel, but we were determined we were going to get out there one way or another.”

Instead of giving up like others might have, they persevered and fished like champions. With the wheel bearing repaired, they made it to the lake and caught another five-fish limit that added 11 pounds, nine ounces to their total, putting them in 16th place and the middle of the pack after the cut was made from 214 boats to 26.

The ICC club sent a total of five two-man teams to the event. Ty Cox and Jake Houston were the next-best finishers from the school but were

46th after two days, narrowly missing the cut. Their two-day total of 18 pounds, three ounces placed them 46th, while the Schrock-Johnson team weight of 21 pounds, one ounce, was good for 16th.

Other ICC teams of J.R. Wright and Bridger Thomas, Dillon Easley and Chandler South, Jacob Pannell and Chase Robinson finished further back in the field, but all outfished dozens of teams from larger schools.

Out of the running, Cox and Houston loaned their boat to Schrock and Johnson for the final day’s action.

“We borrowed the boat to keep from having to submerge the repaired hub on our trailer again,” Schrock said. “We weren’t sure how well it was sealed after we had worked on it, and we didn’t want it to burn out on us again on the way home. The borrowed boat had electronics on it and we turned them on to kind of enjoy them, you might say, but we were working shallow and didn’t really fish off of them.”

The two hauled 14 pounds, eight ounces of bass into the borrowed boat on Saturday to clinch the win, holding off a team from the University of Alabama that had owned the lead after Day Two and winning the tournament by a margin of four ounces with a three-day total of 35 pounds, nine ounces.

**Looking forward**  
The lack of electronics isn’t something that bothered Schrock and Johnson in the past, but it’s something they plan to address before the next event.

“On the Waterway, we mostly fish shallow,” Schrock said. “The boat we were using came with electronics, but fishing shallow water and stumps, we broke them off and hadn’t replaced them.”

“We’ve heard the national championship is going to be on a lake that’s 50 to 60 feet deep in most places, and it’s going to be during the summer, so we wouldn’t do much good there fishing shallow,” Johnson said, “so we definitely intend to do something about our electronics before then.”

“This is the very first year for ICC to have a team and this was our first tournament,” Campbell said. “Itawamba Community College wanted to give students the opportunity to compete on a collegiate level that they may not have been able to otherwise. This bass club will give both young men and women the opportunity to compete on a national level.”

The ICC bass team is a club team, meaning while it is supported by the college, it is not funded by the college or its athletic department. Participants in the bass team raise their own funding. They’re sponsored by Hammer Fishing Rods, Midway Marine, Pro-found Outdoors, MTD, Lew’s Fishing Tackle, Clay’s Bait and Tackle and by Mountain Dew. - *Reprinted with permission from the Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal.*



## ICC Bass Club hosts tournament Feb. 27







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# Turn pressure into positive

There are moments in life when we are all under great pressure.

Life pressure can be very overwhelming, but how we handle that pressure shows our true character.

*“To achieve anything in life, first you have to believe you can, that will keep pushing you never to give up until it comes to pass.”*

For example, Carolina Panthers' quarterback, Cam Newton, handles pressure very well. He faced pressure not only from the media but also from other players to be the ideal quarterback, but he continued to be himself. Newton courageously accepted all of the negativity whether he agreed or not.

He underwent the greatest pressure of all, the 2016 Super Bowl. The Panthers went toe-to-toe with the Denver Broncos, and Newton had to battle with the great Broncos' quarterback, Peyton Manning. It was probably the most pressure he has ever faced.

At the beginning of the game, the Broncos were leading, but Newton remained humble and played wholeheartedly. Although the Broncos finished the game with the title, Newton kept his composure.

However, after congratulating Manning, Newton had to face the pressure of answering reporters' questions in the post-game interview.

After about three minutes' of rapid-fire questions, he walked out of the interview. Disappointed after a tough loss, he answered only about five of the questions from reporters in an event that was shared before millions of viewers.

Media all over the world felt it was inappropriate to leave, and voiced their opinion as such.

During that interview at least three reporters asked if he were disappointed, and he repeatedly said no, but his face told a different story.

ICC's women's basketball team is also a great example of toughness under pressure. Although the Lady Indians lost the MACJC state tournament, they won enough games to advance to the Region 23 tournament. They played their hardest during the toughest moments even when they felt the pressure of having to win.

In life, there is pressure from society, work, friends, family, coaches and even teachers, but we have to cope the best way we can. Pressure can push a person in several different directions. It's how you let it that's important. Staying positive in spite of it and keep pushing forward makes dealing with life pressure a little bit easier.

Remember it's not how you start, but it's how you finish. Never let life pressure take you out of your good character. Never let life pressure cause you to give up whether in school work or athletics. “Winners never quit, and quitters never win”...in spite of the pressure.

## Golf Tournament

ICC Football has scheduled its annual golf tournament May 27 at Big Oaks Country Club in Tupelo.

The four-man scramble will begin with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$300 per team.

For more information, contact Coach Sean Cannon at (662) 862-8117 or email [jscannon@iccms.edu](mailto:jscannon@iccms.edu).



Ieysha Mays celebrates with her teammates after winning ICC's Lady Indians' third NJCAA Region 23 title in four years in Clinton, Mar. 5.

# Lady Indians win Region 23 tourney lose to Blinn in Lubbock, Tex.

*Staff Reports*

The ICC women's basketball team successfully defended its NJCAA Region 23 title, Mar. 5, with a 68-64 win over the Copiah-Lincoln Community College Lady Wolves.

The Lady Indians advanced to the 2016 Division I Women's Basketball tournament in Lubbock, Tex. as the No. 21 seed.

At press time, they were scheduled to play No. 12 seed Blinn Community College.

Against Co-Lin, the lady Indians jumped out to an early advantage in the title game, holding a 13-4 lead midway through the opening quarter, but the Lady Wolves found their

In the closing minutes, the lead dwindled to one, 65-64, and the Lady Wolves had possession after a questionable five-second call against ICC. On the following inbound pass, Jabria Pounds (Nettleton) picked up the steal with 17.8 seconds remaining. Alontra Tucker (Lamar) and Erika Toney (Horn Lake) hit free throws in the closing seconds to secure the 68-64 win and the NJCAA Region 23 title.

Mays finished the game with a team-high 21 points and 11 rebounds while Marlee Hatcher (Pontotoc) chipped in 10 points.

Kelly Allen paced the lady Wolves with a game-high 24 points.

The Lady Indians advanced to



Alontra Tucker led the Lady Indians with eight points in ICC's 59-39 loss to No. 13 Blinn College in the opening round of the NJCAA National Tournament. - Joel Morales/Rapid Shotz Photography.

shots to keep the game from being one-sided.

By halftime, the Lady Indians had extended their lead to 34-28, but the Lady Wolves came out of the break red hot and cut the lead to 36-34 in the first two minutes of the second half.

Iesha Mays (Mound Bayou) and the Lady Indian defense stepped up to keep ICC on top and extend their lead to seven, 59-52, with just under six minutes to play.

the championship game with a 71-45 win over Baton Rouge Community College on Mar. 4 and a 58-57 quarterfinal win over the Southwest Mississippi Community College Lady Bears on Mar. 2.

ICC's Hatcher and Toney were named to the Region 23 All-Tournament team.

Hatcher averaged 12.6 points and 3.6 rebounds for the tournament. The freshman drilled five three-pointers and scored 17 points

in the Lady Indians' quarterfinal victory over Southwest. She followed up her stellar performance with an 11-point effort against Baton Rouge.

Toney averaged 11.6 points and 10 rebounds in Clinton. She turned in a double-double performances in the first two games of the tournament. She scored 14 points and grabbed 10 rebounds against Southwest and tossed in 12 points and collected 11 rebounds against Baton Rouge. She finished the championship game with nine points and nine rebounds.

The Lady Indians season came to an end with a 59-39 loss to No. 13 Blinn (Tex.) College in the first round of the National Junior College Athletic Association Women's Division I Basketball Tournament last Monday.

ICC went on a 7-0 run to cut Blinn's double-digit advantage to six points, 30-24, after the first half of play, but the second half belonged to the Lady Buccaneers.

Blinn bullied its way out to a 46-33 lead in the third quarter after heating up to shoot 40.7 percent in the second half to pull away for the 59-39 victory. ICC shot a dismal 19.2 percent from the floor and missed on all five three-point attempts in the second half.

Ekiya Gray powered the Lady Bucs with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

Blinn shot 38.6 percent from the floor while the Lady Indians connected on a season-low 23.2 percent on the night.

ICC shot 39.3 percent from the free throw line - another low on the season. Blinn hit 58.8 percent from the line.

Alontra Tucker led the Lady Indians with eight points. Asia Partlow and Marlee Hatcher scored six points each with Ieysha Mays and Grace Elliott both adding four points.

The Lady Indians advanced to their third national tournament in three seasons.



Spotlight

MACJC names Rowe, Box Players of the Week

ICC sophomore outfielder Timothy Rowe (Hernando) and freshman third baseman Hagan Box (French Camp) were named Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges (MACJC) Baseball Players of the Week recently.

Rowe batted .727 (8-for-11) with nine RBI, two doubles, a home run, two walks, three runs and was 1-for-1 on stolen base attempts over four games. The left-handed hitter opened the week with a 3-for-4, 2 RBI performance in the Indians’ 11-1 game one win over Williams Baptist (Ark.) and picked up four RBI with his first inning grand slam and went 1-for-2 in the 13-1 game two victory. Against Lake Land (Ill.), Rowe was a perfect 3-of-3 with two doubles and three RBI in the Indians’ 7-2 game one win and went 1-for-2 with two runs scored in the 14-2 game two victory. Rowe leads the Indians (9-1) in batting average (.621) and RBI (21).

Box batted .571 (8-14) with four RBI, two doubles, a walk, a stolen base and scored four runs over four games. The right hander started the week with a 3-for-4, two RBI outing in the Indians’ 10-3 game one win over Southwest Tennessee Community College and picked up another RBI in the nightcap as he went 2-for-3. Against Hinds Community College, Box went 1-for-3 with a walk and a run scored in the conference opening 17-6 game one loss. In game two, Box, who is hitting .463 this season, was 2-for-4 with a RBI.

Four basketball players earn All-Star spots

ICC’s basketball teams will have representatives on the north squad at the 2016 MACJC All-Star games set for Apr. 15 at East Central Community College. The women will play at 5 p.m., and the men, at 7 p.m.

Sophomores **Alontra Tucker** (Lamar) and **Ieysha Mays** (Mound Bayou) were selected to play in the women’s game; and representing the Indians will be sophomores **Barri Hill** (Jasper, Ala.) and **Howard Thomas** (Brandon).

Two named to All-State team

ICC sophomore guard **Alontra Tucker** was named to the MACJC Women’s All-State North Division Second Team, and forward **Howard Thomas** was selected for the MACJC Men’s All-State North Division Second Team on Mar. 7.

Tucker averaged a team high 10-3 points and 4.2 assists per game this season for the Lady Indians. She started all 23 regular season contests as well as six post-season games.

Thomas averaged just shy of a double-double for the season with 10 points and 9.6 rebounds per game and was a 55 percent shooter from the field.

Toney named MACJC Player of Week

ICC sophomore Erika Toney was named MACJC Women’s Basketball Player of the Week for her play during the NJCAA Region 23 Tournament.

The 5-8 guard averaged 11.7 points, 10 rebounds, 0.7 assists and 0.7 blocks per game .She also earned NJCAA Region 23 honors.

Staff Reports



ICC softball ranked No. 10

A 17-4 start to the 2016 season jumped the Itawamba Community College softball team to No. 10 in the first National Junior College Athletic Association Division II regular season poll.

After not receiving votes in the preseason poll, the Indians jumped to its highest ranking ever. In 2014 the Indians finished the regular season, 35-10, to earn its previous highest ranking at No. 11 in the final NJCAA poll of the season.

The Lady Indians grabbed the attention of the national office after picking up wins over NJCAA Division I preseason No. 19 Wabash Valley College, No. 20 Jefferson College and 2014 D1 runner-up Lake Land College.

Spring sports in full swing



COMING UP IN ICC ATHLETICS...

ON THE SCHEDULE

BASEBALL

Mar. 22	Northeast	Home
Mar. 25	Meridian	Home
Mar. 30	Northwest	Away
Apr. 2	Pearl River	Away
Apr. 5	Coahoma	Home
Apr. 9	Jones	Home
Apr. 13	Mississippi Delta	Away
Apr. 16	Southwest	Home
Apr. 19	East Mississippi	Away
Apr. 23	East Central	Home
Apr. 27	Holmes	Away
Apr. 30	Copiah-Lincoln	Away

SOFTBALL

Mar. 22	Coahoma	Away
Mar. 25	East Central	Away
Mar. 30	Mississippi Delta	Home
Apr. 1	Southwest	Away
Apr. 5	East Mississippi	Home
Apr. 8	Jones	Away
Apr. 13	Holmes	Home
Apr. 16	Copiah-Lincoln	Home

TENNIS

Mar. 21	Holmes	Away
Mar. 28	Northwest	Away
Apr. 2	Jones	Home
Apr. 4	East Central	Away
Apr. 6	Northeast	Away
Apr. 9	Meridian	Away
Apr. 11	Northwest	Home
Apr. 12	Jones	Away
Apr. 15	Meridian	Home

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# Twelve sophomores named to Hall of Fame

Staff Reports

Twelve ICC sophomores have been selected as members of the prestigious Hall of Fame for 2015-16. They include Stephanie Hardy of Baldwyn; Margaret R. Hudson of Blue Springs; Rebecca Isabella Sharpe of Fulton; Michaela Cooper of Mantachie; Rachel Hodnett of Mooreville; Caleb Smart of Nettleton; Chelsea Lyle of Saltillo; Steven Ward of Shannon; William Tanner Palmer of Smithville; and Benjamin Davis, Andrew Douglas Hill and Chauncey Leighton Brant Mullins, all of Tupelo.

**Stephanie Hardy** is majoring in pre-occupational therapy at ICC, where she is secretary of the Student Government Association and a member of the Indian Delegation, Baptist Student Union (event coordinator), *Mirror* staff and Phi Theta Kappa. Her honors include Miss ICC, president's list and biology award. She is the daughter of Ricky and Cindy Hardy.

**Margaret Hudson** is an English major at ICC, where she is a member of Phi Theta Kappa (vice president of Scholarship), Diversity Club, Student Government Association (secretary) and Writing Center consultant. Her honors include All-Mississippi Academic team second team, Who's Who Among Students in American Junior and Community Colleges, MSCCCW third place literary analysis, president's list and dean's list.

At ICC, where she is majoring in industrial maintenance technology, **Rebecca Isabella Sharpe** is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. She is the daughter of Tom and Tina Sharpe.

**Michaela Cooper** is a member of the Indian Delegation, jazz band and wind band at ICC, where she is also editor of the *Chieftain*. Her honors include 2016 Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team Silver Scholar, vice president of Leadership for Phi Theta Kappa, All-Mississippi Academic Team second team, journalism award and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior and Community Colleges. She is majoring in nutrition and dietetics for physical therapy. Her parents are Steve and Lisa Cooper.

At ICC **Rachel Hodnett** is majoring in nursing. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Indian Delegation, and her honors include HPR division award. She is the daughter of Thomas and Denise Hodnett.

**Caleb Smart** is majoring in nursing at ICC, where he is a member of Phi Theta Kappa. His honors include academic scholarship, president's and dean's lists. He is the son of Marvin Smart and the late



**Selected to Itawamba Community College's Hall of Fame for 2015-16 include front, from left, Isabella Sharpe, Michaela Cooper, Rachel Hodnett, Stephanie Hardy, Margaret Hudson; middle, Ben Davis, Tanner Palmer, Caleb Smart; back, Chauncey Mullins, Andrew Hill and Steven Ward. They will be featured in the 2016 yearbook, the *Mirror*.**

Brenda Smart.

**Chelsea Lyle** is majoring in associate degree nursing at ICC. She is the daughter of Jimmy and Jenni Webb and is married to Jacob Lyle.

**Steven Ward** is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Computer Programming and Networking Association at ICC. His honors include president's list. He is the son of Charles and Sandra Ward, and his fiancée is Sarah Gregory.

**Tanner Palmer** is majoring in mechanical engineering at ICC, where he is a member of the All-American Marching Band, Indian Delegation and the Political Science Club. He also serves as a resident assistant. Palmer's honors include Student Government Association president and Phi Theta Kappa vice president. He is the son of Rubel "Butch" Palmer and Vickie Palmer.

At ICC **Benjamin Davis** is majoring in public pol-

icy and leadership and philosophy at ICC. He is a member of the Indian Delegation and Phi Theta Kappa. Davis's honors include the political science award. He is the son of Sherry and Jonny Davis.

**Andrew Douglas Hill** is majoring in nursing at ICC, where his honors include Phi Theta Kappa and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior and Community Colleges. He is the son of Douglas and Gwen Hill.

**Chauncey Mullins** is vice president of the Fulton Campus Student Government Association and a member of the Indian Delegation, Baptist Student Union, Political Science Club and Phi Theta Kappa. His other activities include dinner theatre, ICC Live Indian News and intramural team captain. Mullins was also elected as Mr. ICC for 2015-16. He is the son of Jim and Tammy Renick and the late Bill Mullins.

## Hardy, Mullins elected Mr., Miss ICC

Staff Reports

Chauncey Leighton Brant Mullins of Tupelo and Stephanie Hardy of Baldwyn have been elected Mr. and Miss Itawamba Community College for 2015-16.

Hardy is majoring in pre-occupational therapy at ICC, where she is secretary of the Student Government Association and a member of the In-

dian Delegation, Baptist Student Union (event coordinator), *Mirror* staff and Phi Theta Kappa. Her honors include Hall of Fame, president's list and biology award. She is the daughter of Ricky and Cindy Hardy.

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